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WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

1. A toothbrush comprising a handle, a flexible head secured to the handle, the head being flexibly mounted to the handle, the head having an upper face with fingers flexibly mounted thereon, and ribs connecting the fingers to the upper face, whereby flexure of the head under compression or expansion causes a lateral movement of the fingers relative to the longitudinal axis of the toothbrush.
2. The toothbrush of claim 1 wherein at least a portion of fingers comprise a soft elastomeric material.
3. The toothbrush of claim 2, wherein the composition of the rib material is stiffer than the elastomeric material of the fingers.
4. The toothbrush of claim 1 wherein the fingers are mounted in openings in the flexible face of the head.
5. The toothbrush of claim 1 wherein the ribs interconnecting the fingers and flexible face are formed from polypropylene.
6. The toothbrush of claim 1 wherein multiple fingers are interconnected by ribs on one side of the fingers whereby all fingers connected by the ribs move in one direction when the head is flexed.
7. The toothbrush of claim 1 wherein multiple fingers are interconnected by ribs on opposite sides of

the fingers whereby the fingers move in opposite directions when the head is flexed.

8. The toothbrush of claim 1 wherein the head contains fingers along at least one edge of the head and cleaning elements are at least another portion of the head.

9. The toothbrush of claim 8 wherein the cleaning elements are moved by a powered source in the toothbrush.

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